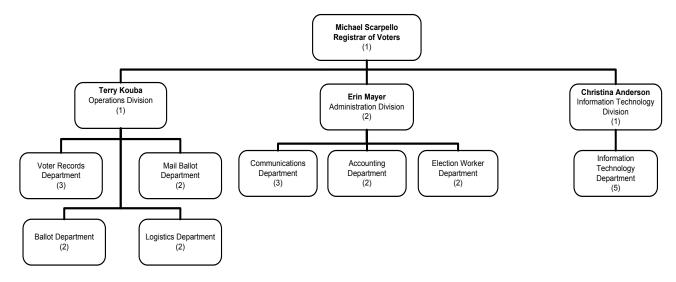
# REGISTRAR OF VOTERS Michael Scarpello

#### **DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT**

The Registrar of Voters Office upholds the integrity of the electoral process by consistently conducting fair and open elections that are accessible to all and that accurately reflects the intent of the electorate, promotes public confidence, increased voter participation, and strengthens democracy while providing the highest quality of customer service.



## **ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**



#### 2012-13 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Conducted the 2012 Presidential Primary and General Elections with no major issues or long lines at the polls.
- Reorganized the Elections Office staffing in order to be more effective.
- Rebuilt the Elections Office website, <u>www.sbcountyelections.com</u>, and implemented a new online polling place look-up tool to better serve the public.
- Redesigned the Voter Information Guide, Sample Ballot, and Official Ballot for better readability and fewer voter errors.
- Added an Early Voting site in the High Desert, added more than 50 mail ballot drop-off sites, and introduced drive-through mail ballot drop-off sites in three locations.
- Re-engineered polling place procedures and ballot counting procedures that allowed the Elections Office to count ballots 40 percent faster in the 2012 Presidential General Election than in the 2008 Presidential General Election.
- Consolidated underutilized polling places from 551 in the 2008 Presidential General Election to 444 for the 2012 Presidential General Election, resulting in cost savings.
- Consolidated the Elections Office computer network with the County's network resulting in considerable savings.
- Obtained a \$134,000 grant from the Department of Defense to provide online ballot delivery to our overseas and military voters.



# COUNTY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES AND DEPARTMENT PERFORMANCE MEASURES

COUNTY GOAL: IMPROVE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Objective(s): • Create clear lines of authority and clarify roles, responsibilities and governance of all County departments and programs.

Department Strategy: • Expand the Elections Office Election Deadline, Assignment, and Task Engine (EDATE) system to maximize effectiveness and efficiency of election operations. Review, revise, and document Elections Office processes and procedures. 2011-12 2012-13 2012-13 2013-14 Actual Target Actual Target Measurement Number of new or modified tasks populated in EDATE (% of cummulative 10% N/A 40% 60% completion). Number of processes and procedures reviewed. N/A N/A 24 15

# COUNTY GOAL: OPERATE IN A FISCALLY-RESPONSIBLE AND BUSINESS-LIKE MANNER

Objective(s):

- Live within our means, fully funding basic operating systems, liabilities and reserves, while forming capital to strategically invest in the future.
- Implement information management best-practices that would unify technology platforms and move toward a standardized enterprise approach.

Department Strategy:

- Expand the availability of voting opportunities by increasing the number of registered permanent mail ballot voters.
- Create cost savings by decreasing the number of polling places used in major elections by eliminating under-utilized polling places.
- Create cost savings by increasing the number of voters who receive their Voter Information Guide electronically.

	2011-12	2012-13	2012-13	2013-14
Measurement	Actual	Target	Actual	Target
Number of permanent mail ballot voters.	328,552	N/A	385,797	404,543
Percentage of reduction in the number of polling places used in major elections.	(70%)	N/A	(19%)	(5%)
Number of voters who signed up to receive their Voter Information Guide electronically.	N/A	N/A	1,435	2,000



# **SUMMARY OF BUDGET UNITS**

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	Requirements	Sources	Net County Cost	Fund Balance	Net Budget	Staffing
General Fund		_	-		•	
Registrar of Voters	8,620,303	2,498,240	6,122,063			26
Total General Fund	8,620,303	2,498,240	6,122,063			26

5-YEAR REQUIREMENTS TREND					
	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
Registrar of Voters	5,875,261	6,911,479	7,979,388	10,477,990	8,620,303
Total	5,875,261	6,911,479	7,979,388	10,477,990	8,620,303

5-YEAR SOURCES TREND					
	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
Registrar of Voters	3,480,505	3,544,044	2,843,000	2,914,734	2,498,240
Total	3,480,505	3,544,044	2,843,000	2,914,734	2,498,240

5-YEAR NET COUNTY COST TREND					
	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
Registrar of Voters	2,394,756	3,367,435	5,136,388	7,563,256	6,122,063
Total	2,394,756	3,367,435	5,136,388	7,563,256	6,122,063



# **Registrar of Voters**

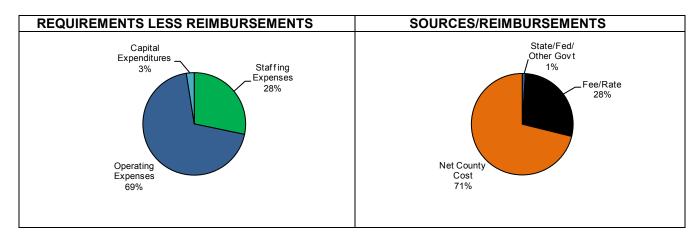
# **DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES**

The Elections Office of the Registrar of Voters is responsible for conducting efficient and impartial elections, and to provide the means by which every eligible citizen can exercise their voting rights and privileges, as provided by local ordinances and Federal and California Election Codes. To support this function, the Department is organized into three divisions and eight sections. The Department's organizational structure has been adjusted to be in alignment with

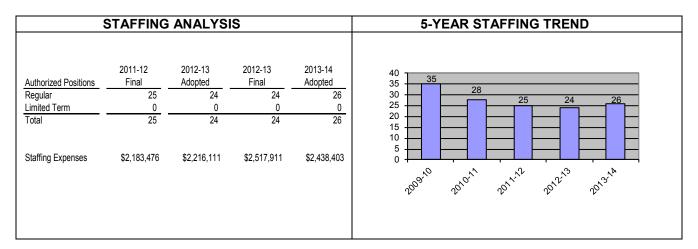
Budget at a Glance	
Total Requirements	\$8,620,303
Total Sources	\$2,498,240
Net County Cost	\$6,122,063
Total Staff	26
Funded by Net County Cost	71%

the County's goals of improving County Government operations and operating in a fiscally-responsible and business-like manner.

### 2013-14 ADOPTED BUDGET



# **BUDGETED STAFFING**





### **ANALYSIS OF 2013-14 ADOPTED BUDGET**

GROUP: Operations and Community Services DEPARTMENT: Registrar of Voters

FUND: General

BUDGET UNIT: AAA ROV FUNCTION: General ACTIVITY: Elections

	2009-10 Actual	2010-11 Actual	2011-12 Actual	2012-13 Actual	2012-13 Final Budget	2013-14 Adopted Budget	Change From 2012-13 Final Budget
Requirements				i		_	
Staffing Expenses	2,415,530	2,284,039	2,171,716	2,517,890	2,517,911	2,438,403	(79,508)
Operating Expenses	3,459,731	4,230,511	5,644,907	7,764,430		5,966,900	(1,940,199)
Capital Expenditures	0	396,516	47,420	7,980	52,980	215,000	162,020
Contingencies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Exp Authority	5,875,261	6,911,066	7,864,043	10,290,300	10,477,990	8,620,303	(1,857,687)
Reimbursements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Appropriation	5,875,261	6,911,066	7,864,043	10,290,300	10,477,990	8,620,303	(1,857,687)
Operating Transfers Out	0	0	9,785	0	0	0	0
Total Requirements	5,875,261	6,911,066	7,873,828	10,290,300	10,477,990	8,620,303	(1,857,687)
Sources							
Taxes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Realignment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
State, Fed or Gov't Aid	671,798	1,453,232	18,768	160,086	159,000	85,000	(74,000)
Fee/Rate	2,616,266	1,928,535	2,666,300	2,972,380	2,725,234	2,401,240	(323,994)
Other Revenue	22,248	162,278	145,216	39,913	30,500	12,000	(18,500)
Total Revenue	3,310,312	3,544,045	2,830,284	3,172,379	2,914,734	2,498,240	(416,494)
Operating Transfers In	275,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Sources	3,585,312	3,544,045	2,830,284	3,172,379	2,914,734	2,498,240	(416,494)
Net County Cost	2,289,949	3,367,021	5,043,544	7,117,921	7,563,256	6,122,063	(1,441,193)
				Budgeted Staffing	24	26	2

### MAJOR EXPENDITURES AND REVENUE IN 2013-14 ADOPTED BUDGET

Requirements of \$8.6 million to conduct two minor elections (July 2013 and August 2013) and two major elections (November 2013 and June 2014) includes staffing expenses of \$2.4 million for 26 budgeted positions, operating expenses of \$6.0 million and capital expenditures of \$215,000. Operating expenses primarily consist of services and supplies of \$5.5 million for routine operations and election-related expenses (such as temporary labor, ballots, postage, poll workers and other professional services). Operating expenses also include central service charges for Facilities Management and Information Services as well as travel costs. Capital expenditures of \$215,000 include the purchase of two high speed ballot counters to supplement aging counters and speed up election results (\$75,000 each; \$150,000 total) and ballot printing equipment funded by a portion of the Federal Voting Assistance Program Grant (\$65,000). Sources of \$2.5 million are derived from a variety of sources. These sources include: Secretary of State quarterly postage reimbursement (\$20,000), Federal Voting Assistance Program Grant (\$65,000); sale of services and products including maps, voter files and certified documents (\$12,240); and election services for participation jurisdictions (\$2.4 million).

#### **BUDGET CHANGES AND OPERATIONAL IMPACT**

Requirements and related sources will fluctuate based on a 4-year election cycle with the Presidential Election being the most costly of the major elections. The Department is transitioning from a 1 major election (Presidential Election) cycle in 2012-13 to a 2 major election cycle in 2013-14. The 2013-14 budget includes provisions for 2 minor and 2 major elections as follows: July 16, 2013, for the Fontana Unified School District Election (minor); August 27, 2013, for a General District Mail Ballot Election (minor); November 5, 2013, for a Consolidated General Election (major); and June 3, 2014, for a Gubernatorial Primary Election (major). The first three elections are 100% reimbursable; however, the Gubernatorial Primary Election is only 2% reimbursable, which requires significant net county cost financing. In addition, the Department has implemented numerous cost savings measures which has resulted in reduced requirements.



# STAFFING CHANGES AND OPERATIONAL IMPACT

Staffing expenses of \$2.4 million fund 26 budgeted regular positions. Following the 2012 Presidential Election, the Elections Office analyzed its strengths and weaknesses and re-aligned its organizational structure to increase its effectiveness, lower temporary labor expenses, and to provide appropriate backup for existing employees. In doing so, 4 existing positions (3 – vacant, 1 – filled) were deleted and 6 new positions were added; for an overall net increase of 2 positions. Position deletions include 1 Business Applications Manager position (vacant), a Geographic Information Systems Technician I position (filled), and two Office Assistant III positions (vacant). Position additions include 1 Fiscal Specialist position, 2 Elections Technician positions, 1 Elections Services Assistant position, 1 Applications Specialist position, and 1 Automated Systems Technician position.

### 2013-14 POSITION SUMMARY

Division	Regular	Limited Term	Total	Filled	Vacant	New	Total
Administration Division	10	0	10	7	1	2	10
Operations Division	10	0	10	8	0	2	10
Information Technology Division	6	0	6	4	0	2	6
Total	26	0	26	19	1	6	26

Administration Division	Operations Division	Technology Division
Classification	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Classification</u>
Registrar of Voters	<ol> <li>Chief Deputy Registrar of Voters</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Business Systems Analyst III</li> </ol>
Chief Deputy Registrar of Voters	4 Elections Technician	<ol> <li>Programmer Analyst II</li> </ol>
1 Executive Secretary II	2 Elections Services Assistant	2 Applications Specialist
1 Staff Analyst II	1 Office Assistant IV	1 Automated Systems Technician
1 Elections Specialist	2 Office Assistant III	<ol> <li>Geographic Info Sys Tech II</li> </ol>
Media Specialist I	10 Total	6 Total
2 Elections Technician		
1 Office Assistant IV		
1 Fiscal Specialist		
0 Total		

